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In re Application of: T. Hoshida, et al.  
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Confirmation No. 5870  
Group Art Unit: 2633  
Examiner: C. M. Nguyen  
Title: *Method and System for Transmitting Information in an  
Optical Communication System Using Distributed  
Amplification*

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**Response Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2004, Applicants respectfully  
request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following  
amendments and remarks.